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FOR UNDERSECRETARY SISCO FROM DCM AXELROD

- 1. FOLLOWING IS IN REPLY TO YOUR MESSAGE REF A TO AMBASSADIR RIVERO, WHO IS CURRENTLY ON VISIT TO SOUTHERN SPAIN:
- 2. UNLIKELY EMBASSY WILL BE ABLE TO ARRANGE CALLS FOR SENATOR BYRD ON RANKING GOS OFFICIALS UNTIL APRIL 16, AFTER EASTER HOLIDAYS. GENERALISIMO FRANCO, PRINCE JUAN CARLOS, PRESIDENT ARIAS, AND FOREIGN MINISTER CORTINA ARE VACATIONING AWAY FROM MADRID DURING EASTER WEEK.
- 3. HOWEVER, USEFUL PROGRAM COULD BE OFFERED SENATOR BYRD ALONG FOLLOWING LINES: (A) SATURDAY, APRIL 13 COULD BE USED FOR VISIT TO TORREJON AIR BASE WITH BRIEFINGS BY APPROPRIATE USAF OFFICERS; (B) EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 14 COULD BE USED FOR SIGHTSEEING, SHOPPING AND RELAXATION; (C) MONDAY APRIL 15 (AS NOTED REF B) LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AMBASSADOR WILL BE DELIGHTED TO MEET WITH SENATOR BYRD AND

TO OFFER, IF SENATOR DESIRES, BRIEFING ON POLITICAL, ECONOMIC AND SECURITY SITUATIONS, INCLUDING DEFENSE AND NON-MILITARY ASPECTS OF US PROGRAMS IN SPAIN; (D) TUESDAY, APRIL 16, EMBASSY WILL ENDEAVOR TO ARRANGE MORNING CALL ON APPROPRIATE SPANISH OFFICIALS.

4. DOUBT THAT IT WILL BE POSSIBLE TO ARRANGE CALL ON FRANCO, WHO RECEIVES FEW FORIEGN VISITORS THESE DAYS, NOR MAY THE OTHER AFOREMENTIONED SPANISH LEADERS, WHO WILL HAVE JUST RETURNED MADRID, BE AVAILABLE TO RECEIVE SENATOR BYRD. HOWEVER, EVERY EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO ARRANGE FOR HIM TO MEET WITH APPPORPRIATE HIGH-RANKING SPANISH OFFICIALS. RIVERO

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